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Maryland State Police Honors Fallen Heroes With Annual Ceremony

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(PIKESVILLE, MD) - Gov. Larry Hogan joined Col. William Pallozzi and police survivor families on May 11 to honor state troopers who have given their lives in the line of duty at the annual Maryland State Police Fallen Heroes Ceremony.

The ceremony honored the 43 state troopers who made the ultimate sacrifice serving in Maryland and two troopers killed while on active military duty in World War II. Deputy Chief State Fire Marshal Sander Cohen was also honored during the unveiling of a new memorial honoring members of the Office of the State Fire Marshal killed in the line of duty.

“As your governor, I understand you leave your loved ones everyday with them wondering if you’re going to come home safely,” Governor Hogan said. “And when tragedy strikes and you lose one of

your own, you never falter in your duty. Instead, you become stronger, even closer as a unit. Together you work even harder because together you truly are Maryland’s finest.”

Speakers included Gov. Hogan, Col. Pallozzi, State Fire Marshal Brian Geraci and Major Joseph Lanzi Jr., the son of a Maryland State Police Fallen Hero. Major Lanzi is a surgeon in the U.S. Army.

“The purpose of this ceremony is to honor our fallen heroes and to remind their families that we have not forgotten nor will we ever forget the sacrifice your loved ones made,” Colonel Pallozzi said.

In addition to the families of the Fallen Heroes, the event was attended by current and retired state troopers and deputy state fire marshals, all there to honor their fellow troopers and deputy.



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PHOTOS: Maryland State Police Fallen Heroes Ceremony



As part of the Fallen Heroes Ceremony, a rose was placed in memory of each of the state troopers who made the ultimate sacrifice. In addition, a new memorial was unveiled to pay tribute to those who died in the line of duty from the Office of the State Fire Marshal. (Photos by Amy Hager)



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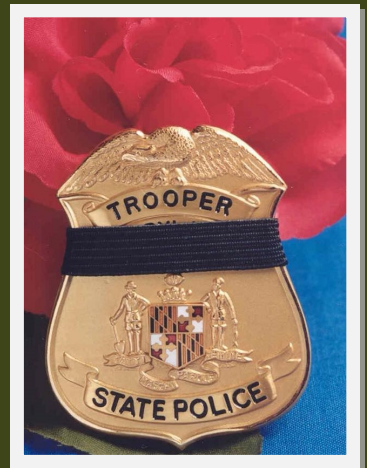


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Remembering Baltimore County Police Officer First Class Amy Caprio

The Maryland State Police stands in support of the Baltimore County Police Department as they mourn the loss of Officer First Class Amy Caprio. Officer Caprio was killed in the line of duty while working to serve and protect the citizens of Baltimore County on May 21, 2018.



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MSP Addresses Impaired Driving During Holidays

Safety Tip of the Month

With the return of summer weather, more motorcyclists will be out on the roads in the upcoming months.

Double check your mirrors and keep an eye out for motorcycles on Maryland roadways.



(PIKESVILLE, Md.) — With an increase in impaired drivers expected throughout the state over the Cinco De Mayo and Memorial Day weekends, state police conducted saturation patrols at each of the 23 barracks focusing on impaired, aggressive and distracted driving. Enforcement was bolstered by impaired driving saturation patrol funds from the Maryland Department of Transportation's Highway Safety Office.

Initiatives included saturation patrols in areas known to have a higher number of DUI crashes or arrests and sobriety checkpoints, which were also conducted in locations where experience indicates they are most appropriate.

For the Cinco de Mayo weekend, troopers made 83 DUI arrests, 53 criminal arrests and 10 drug arrests while also issuing 859 speeding citations, 87 seatbelt citations and 2,218 citations for other violations. During the Memorial Day weekend, troopers stopped 7,482 drivers and issued 5,015 citations and 4,414 warnings. Troopers also made 85 DUI arrests and 24 criminal arrests between May 25 and May 28.

The State Police Impaired Driving Reduction Effort Team, otherwise known as the SPIDRE Team, was also on patrol those weekends. Since its inception in May 2013 through May 6, 2018, the SPIDRE team has made 2,695 DUI arrests, 124 criminal arrests and 8,220 traffic stops that resulted in 18,363 citations and 3,990 warnings.

Every year more than 160 lives are lost and thousands more are injured in Maryland in crashes involving impaired drivers, according to the Maryland Department of Transportation. Please don't drink and drive.

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Maryland State Police Stresses Safety During Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

(PIKESVILLE, Md.) — With springtime comes warmer weather and more motorcycle riders out on the road, along with a reminder from Maryland State Police to be safe during Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month.

According to the National Safety Council, 4,976 motorcycle riders and passengers died and 88,000 other were injured in 2015. Although motorcycles make up just three percent of all registered vehicles and only 0.7 percent of all vehicle miles traveled in the U.S., motorcyclists accounted for 14 percent of all traffic fatalities, 17 percent of all occupant fatalities and four percent of all occupant injuries in 2014, the National Safety Council reports.

In Maryland, an average of 70 traffic fatalities and 1,400 injuries associated with motorcycles are reported each year, with 82 such fatalities in 2017 alone, accord-

ing to the Maryland Department of Transportation Highway Safety Office. Common factors associated in motorcycle crashes include alcohol impairment, lack of helmet use and aggressive driving. Here are some basic tips for motorcycle riders:

- Get trained and properly licensed – A motorcycle license is required to ride on the roads in Maryland.
- Stay sober – Nearly one-third of riders who died in a motorcycle crash in 2014 were alcohol-impaired.
- Obey speed limits – In 2015, speeding was a factor in more than 30 percent of motorcycle crashes.
- Wear proper protective clothing, especially a helmet – Wearing a helmet is the law in Maryland. Violators could be fined up to \$500.

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Facilities Management Division Honors Longtime Employees

The Maryland State Police Facilities Management Division recently recognized several longtime employees for their distinguished time of service to the department.

- Senior Maintenance Mechanic Stephen Booker (5 years).

Those honored included:

- Senior Maintenance Mechanic Wayne Frisby (30 years)
- Administrator Mark Cook (20 years)
- Maintenance Chief Henry Lindsey (15 years)
- Maintenance Chief Patrick Franz (15 years)
- Senior Maintenance Mechanic Alan Rodriguez (5 years)
- Maintenance Chief Jeffrey Suder (5 years)



Thirty-year veteran Wayne Frisby (third from left) is congratulated by (L to R) MSP Risk Management Officer Margaret Michel, Maj. David Kitzinger, Asst. Chief, Support Services Bureau, and Facilities Management Division Director Francisca Koduah.

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U.S. Attorney General Recognizes Maryland Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force

(WASHINGTON, D.C.) - We congratulate the criminal investigators who are a part of the Maryland State Police Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force assigned to the Upper Eastern Shore. The unit was presented the US Attorney General's Special Commendation on May 23, 2018, in a Washington, D.C. ceremony.

The investigative team was recognized for outstanding work during an investigation that led to the arrest of a suspect in Talbot County last fall and the identification of 26 victims, some of whom were sexually abused in the 1970s. The suspect was charged with multiple counts of sex offenses involving the abuse of a child. He is currently awaiting trial.

The investigation began in October 2017, when Maryland State Police Criminal Enforcement Division investigators assigned to the Maryland Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force received a cybertip concerning an individual involved in the production of child pornography and the sexual abuse of multiple children. The investigation led to the identification of the suspect and his residence.

ICAC investigators from the Maryland State Police, Talbot County Sheriff's Office and Homeland Security Investigations served a search warrant at the suspect's residence. They recovered computers and related electronic equipment belonging to the suspect.

The Maryland Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force is comprised of police agencies from around the state. Its primary mission is to protect children from computer-facilitated sexual exploitation. The



Task Force works cooperatively with law enforcement agencies and prosecutors to provide resources to combat these crimes. Additionally, the Task Force provides community awareness campaigns helping to prevent the spread of these crimes through education.

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Maryland State Police Aviation Command Makes Aerial Rescues In Montgomery, Allegany Counties

(DICKERSON, Md.) — A Maryland State Police helicopter crew helped rescue an injured hiker who had fallen down the side of a cliff in Montgomery County.

At about 3 p.m. on May 23, Maryland State Police Aviation Trooper 3 was dispatched to Sugarloaf Mountain to complete the mission. The pilots maneuvered the AW-139 helicopter into position 80 feet above a small rock outcropping.

A trooper was lowered to the scene to assess the patient and coordinate extrication with arriving ground providers.

The patient was stabilized and packaged with the assistance of emergency personnel who had hiked into the rugged terrain to gain access to the patient.

Due to the austere and remote location, an aerial extraction was required. The trooper accompanied the injured hiker back up to the aircraft, at which time the patient was transported to Meritus Medical Center in Washington County while receiving advanced medical care from the crew of Trooper 3.

(ZIHLMAN, Md.) — A Maryland State Police helicopter crew helped rescue an injured ATV rider in Allegany County.

Shortly after 7:00 p.m. on May 21, Maryland State Police Aviation Trooper 5 was dispatched to extricate an injured ATV rider who had rolled the down the side of a cliff located near the Great Alleghany Passage in Zihlman, Md.

The pilots maneuvered the AW-139 helicopter into position 120 feet above an old coal mining pit. A trooper was lowered to the scene to assess the patient and coordinate extrication with on-scene ground providers. The patient was stabilized and packaged onto a long backboard with the assistance of EMS personnel who hiked into the coal pit.

Due to the treacherous and remote location, an aerial extraction was required. The trooper accompanied the injured rider back up to the aircraft. The patient was subsequently transported to Western Maryland Regional Medical Center in Cumberland, while receiving advanced medical care from the crew of Trooper 5.

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